

Shacocke, William Tyson Edward Becke, George Wharton Edward Skidmore, Thomas Hawker John Pine, Isaac Harris, and W^m Hudell twelve good men of the Said County Sworne tryed and charged to enquire in what manner and how the aforesaid James Browne to his death came, who Say upon their Oathes, That the said James Browne the twelfth day of November last in ffarloe Creeke aforesaid in the County aforesaid about the houre of ten or eleven of the Clocke afternoone of the Same day God before his eyes not having but by instigation diabolically Seduced and moved at ffarloe aforesaid in his Owne lodging Chamber then and there alone being, with One pistoll of the value of One Shilling which he then and there in his right hand had and held being loaded with Gunpowder and three Swan Shott, which Said pistoll the Said James Browne to his fforehead he placed and the same did discharge which gave him One wound mortall being very large the One halfe of his Scull being Shott all to peices with his braines disperst and himselfe then and there voluntarily and feloniously himselfe then and there murdered and So the jurors aforesaid upon their Oathes aforesaid Say that the aforesaid James Browne in manner and forme as aforesaid voluntarily and ffeloniously and as a ffellon of himselfe, himselfe Slew and murdered against the peace of the Lord Proprietary his Rule and dignity. And the jurors aforesaid upon their Oathes aforesaid Say that the aforesaid James Browne at the time of the felony aforesaid had Goods and Chattells to the value of One hundred thirty foure thousand Six hundred fifty and Six pounds of tobacco and halfe, which arrises by housholdgoods Stock of Cattle Hoggs and horses and bills, Also by accompts nine thousand eighty and eight pounds of tobacco, Also a Cargoe of English Goods and New England wares as p invoice will appeare As also twelve hogesheads of tobacco, and twenty and Seven ranges of tobacco hanging all which remaines and is upon the Plantation of the aforesaid Browne in the Creeke and County aforesaid. In Testimony of all which aswell I the aforesaid Coroner as the jurors aforesaid to this present Inquisition Our Seales alternately have putt the day and yeare first above-written. p. 86

Which Said Inquisition being read it is the judgment of his Lo^{pp}s justices of the Provinciaall Court this day to witt the foure and twentieth day of November One thousand six hundred Seventy five that the Sheriff of the County of Caecil take Care of the estate of the Said James Browne untill further Order from the Governour.

Afterwards to wit the tenth day of ffebruary One thousand six hundred Seventy-five It is the judgment of the Court here, that the goods and chattells of the Said James Browne are escheated and forfeited unto his Lopp the Lord Proprietary by reason of the felony aforesaid, but his Lands are not forfeited.